

U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, DC 20530

OMB No. 1024-0002 Expires May 31, 2010

Supplemental Statement

Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of
1938, as amended

For Six Month Period Ending 03/31/2020

(Insert date)

I - REGISTRANT

1. (a) Name of Registrant

(b) Registration No.

Salah Bayaziddi

6595

(c) Business Address(es) of Registrant

1250 Connecticut Ave. NW

Suite 700

Washington DC

20036

2. Has there been a change in the information previously furnished in connection with the following?

(a) If an individual:

(1) Residence address(es) Yes ☐ No ☒(2) Citizenship Yes ☐ No ☒(3) Occupation Yes ☐ No ☒

(b) If an organization:

(1) Name Yes ☐ No ☐(2) Ownership or control Yes ☐ No ☐(3) Branch offices Yes ☐ No ☐

(c) Explain fully all changes, if any, indicated in Items (a) and (b) above.

IF THE REGISTRANT IS AN INDIVIDUAL, OMIT RESPONSE TO ITEMS 3, 4, AND 5(a).

3. If you have previously filed Exhibit C¹, state whether any changes therein have occurred during this 6 month reporting period.Yes ☐ No ☐If yes, have you filed an amendment to the Exhibit C? Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, please attach the required amendment.

¹ The Exhibit C, for which no printed form is provided, consists of a true copy of the charter, articles of incorporation, association, and by laws of a registrant that is an organization. (A waiver of the requirement to file an Exhibit C may be obtained for good cause upon written application to the Assistant Attorney General, National Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530.)

4. (a) Have any persons ceased acting as partners, officers, directors or similar officials of the registrant during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, furnish the following information:

| Name | Position | Date Connection Ended |
|------|----------|-----------------------|
|------|----------|-----------------------|

(b) Have any persons become partners, officers, directors or similar officials during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, furnish the following information:

| Name | Residence Address | Citizenship | Position | Date Assumed |
|------|-------------------|-------------|----------|--------------|
|------|-------------------|-------------|----------|--------------|

5. (a) Has any person named in Item 4(b) rendered services directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, identify each such person and describe the service rendered.

(b) During this six month reporting period, has the registrant hired as employees or in any other capacity, any persons who rendered or will render services to the registrant directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal(s) in other than a clerical or secretarial, or in a related or similar capacity? Yes ☒ No ☐

| Name | Residence Address | Citizenship | Position | Date Assumed |
|-----------------------------------|--|-------------|------------|-------------------|
| Ayal Frank (AF International LLC) | 8209 Tomlinston Ave. Bethesda MD 20817 | U.S. | Consultant | February 18, 2019 |
| Cogent Law Group LLC | 1850 K Street, N.W. 4th Floor Washington, D.C. 20006 | U.S. | Law Firm | December 7, 2019 |

(c) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their employment or connection with the registrant during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

| Name | Position or Connection | Date Terminated |
|------|------------------------|-----------------|
|------|------------------------|-----------------|

(d) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their connection with any foreign principal during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

| Name | Position or Connection | Foreign Principal | Date Terminated |
|------|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
|------|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|

6. Have short form registration statements been filed by all of the persons named in Items 5(a) and 5(b) of the supplemental statement?

Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, list names of persons who have not filed the required statement.

II - FOREIGN PRINCIPAL

7. Has your connection with any foreign principal ended during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal

Date of Termination

8. Have you acquired any new foreign principal(s)² during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name and Address of Foreign Principal(s)

Date Acquired



9. In addition to those named in Items 7 and 8, if any, list foreign principal(s)² whom you continued to represent during the 6 month reporting period.

Komala Party of Iranian Kurdistan

10. (a) Have you filed exhibits for the newly acquired foreign principal(s), if any, listed in Item 8?

Exhibit A³ Yes ☐ No ☒

Exhibit B⁴ Yes ☐ No ☒

If no, please attach the required exhibit.

- (b) Have there been any changes in the Exhibits A and B previously filed for any foreign principal whom you represented during this six month period? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, have you filed an amendment to these exhibits? Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, please attach the required amendment.

NONE

² The term "foreign principal" includes, in addition to those defined in Section 1(b) of the Act, an individual organization any of whose activities are directly or indirectly supervised, directed, controlled, financed, or subsidized in whole or in major part by a foreign government, foreign political party, foreign organization or foreign individual (See Rule 100(a) (9)). A registrant who represents more than one foreign principal is required to list in the statements he files under the Act only those principals for whom he is not entitled to claim exemption under Section 3 of the Act. (See Rule 208.)

³ The Exhibit A, which is filed on Form NSD-3, sets forth the information required to be disclosed concerning each foreign principal.

⁴ The Exhibit B, which is filed on Form NSD-4, sets forth the information concerning the agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal.

III - ACTIVITIES

11. During this 6 month reporting period, have you engaged in any activities for or rendered any services to any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, identify each foreign principal and describe in full detail your activities and services:

SEE ATTACHMENT

12. During this 6 month reporting period, have you on behalf of any foreign principal engaged in political activity⁵ as defined below? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, identify each such foreign principal and describe in full detail all such political activity, indicating, among other things, the relations, interests and policies sought to be influenced and the means employed to achieve this purpose. If the registrant arranged, sponsored or delivered speeches, lectures or radio and TV broadcasts, give details as to dates, places of delivery, names of speakers and subject matter.

Komala Party of Iranian Kurdistan (SEE ATTACHMENT)

13. In addition to the above described activities, if any, have you engaged in activity on your own behalf which benefits your foreign principal(s)? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, describe fully.

⁵ "Political activity," as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act, means any activity that the person engaging in believes will, or that the person intends to, in any way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the United States or with reference to political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

IV - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

14. (a) **RECEIPTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal, any contributions, income or money either as compensation or otherwise? Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, explain why.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies.⁶

| Date | From Whom | Purpose | Amount |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Oct. 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020 | Komala Party of Iranian Kurdistan | Office space rent | \$ 1525 X 6 |
| Oct. 1 2019 to March 31, 2020 | Komala Party of Iranian Kurdistan | Office expences and transportation | \$ 1100 X 6 |

\$ 15750

Total

(b) **RECEIPTS - FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received, as part of a fundraising campaign⁷, any money on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, have you filed an Exhibit D⁸ to your registration? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, indicate the date the Exhibit D was filed. Date _____

(c) **RECEIPTS-THINGS OF VALUE**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received any thing of value⁹ other than money from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

| Foreign Principal | Date Received | Thing of Value | Purpose |
|-------------------|---------------|----------------|---------|
|-------------------|---------------|----------------|---------|

^{6, 7} A registrant is required to file an Exhibit D if he collects or receives contributions, loans, moneys, or other things of value for a foreign principal, as part of a fundraising campaign. (See Rule 201(e)).

⁸ An Exhibit D, for which no printed form is provided, sets forth an account of money collected or received as a result of a fundraising campaign and transmitted for a foreign principal.

⁹ Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

15. (a) **DISBURSEMENTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you

(1) disbursed or expended monies in connection with activity on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☒ No ☐(2) transmitted monies to any such foreign principal? Yes ☐ No ☒

If no, explain in full detail why there were no disbursements made on behalf of any foreign principal.

Pay to Ayal Frank was made directly from Komala Party HQ in Sulaymaniyah, Kurdistan region of Iraq.

Pay to Cogent Law was made directly from the Komala Party HQ in Sulaymaniyah, Kurdistan region of Iraq.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies, including monies transmitted, if any, to each foreign principal.

| Date | To Whom | Purpose | Amount |
|---|---|--|-------------|
| October 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020 | Metro Offices | Rent for offices space | \$ 1525 x 6 |
| October 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020 | Transportation (Taxi, uber and train), resturants and other daily expenses at office. | Transportation, foods and other office expenses | \$ 1100 x 6 |

\$ 15750

Total

(b) DISBURSEMENTS-THINGS OF VALUE

During this 6 month reporting period, have you disposed of anything of value¹⁰ other than money in furtherance of or in connection with activities on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement?

Yes ☐No ☐

If yes, furnish the following information:

| Date | Recipient | Foreign Principal | Thing of Value | Purpose |
|------|-----------|-------------------|----------------|---------|
|------|-----------|-------------------|----------------|---------|

(c) DISBURSEMENTS-POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

During this 6 month reporting period, have you from your own funds and on your own behalf either directly or through any other person, made any contributions of money or other things of value¹¹ in connection with an election to any political office, or in connection with any primary election, convention, or caucus held to select candidates for political office?

Yes ☐No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

| Date | Amount or Thing of Value | Political Organization or Candidate | Location of Event |
|------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
|------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|

^{10, 11} Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

V - INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS

16. (a) During this 6 month reporting period, did you prepare, disseminate or cause to be disseminated any informational materials?¹²
 Yes ☒ No ☐

If Yes, go to Item 17.

- (b) If you answered No to Item 16(a), do you disseminate any material in connection with your registration?

Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes, please forward the materials disseminated during the six month period to the Registration Unit for review.

17. Identify each such foreign principal.

Komala Party of Iranian Kurdistan (SEE ATTACHED COPY OF ARTICLE)

18. During this 6 month reporting period, has any foreign principal established a budget or allocated a specified sum of money to finance your activities in preparing or disseminating informational materials? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each such foreign principal, specify amount, and indicate for what period of time.

19. During this 6 month reporting period, did your activities in preparing, disseminating or causing the dissemination of informational materials include the use of any of the following:

- ☒ Radio or TV broadcasts ☒ Magazine or newspaper ☐ Motion picture films ☐ Letters or telegrams
☐ Advertising campaigns ☒ Press releases ☐ Pamphlets or other publications ☒ Lectures or speeches
☐ Other (specify) _____

Electronic Communications

- ☐ Email
☐ Website URL(s): _____
☐ Social media websites URL(s): _____
☐ Other (specify) _____

20. During this 6 month reporting period, did you disseminate or cause to be disseminated informational materials among any of the following groups:

- ☐ Public officials ☒ Newspapers ☐ Libraries
☒ Legislators ☐ Editors ☐ Educational institutions
☐ Government agencies ☐ Civic groups or associations ☐ Nationality groups
☐ Other (specify) _____

21. What language was used in the informational materials:

- ☒ English ☐ Other (specify) Kurdish

22. Did you file with the Registration Unit, U.S. Department of Justice a copy of each item of such informational materials disseminated or caused to be disseminated during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

23. Did you label each item of such informational materials with the statement required by Section 4(b) of the Act?

Yes ☒ No ☐

¹² The term informational materials includes any oral, visual, graphic, written, or pictorial information or matter of any kind, including that published by means of advertising, books, periodicals, newspapers, lectures, broadcasts, motion pictures, or any means or instrumentality of interstate or foreign commerce or otherwise. Informational materials disseminated by an agent of a foreign principal as part of an activity in itself exempt from registration, or an activity which by itself would not require registration, need not be filed pursuant to Section 4(b) of the Act.

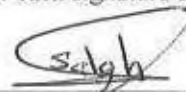
VI - EXECUTION

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swear(s) or affirm(s) under penalty of perjury that he/she has (they have) read the information set forth in this registration statement and the attached exhibits and that he/she is (they are) familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her (their) knowledge and belief, except that the undersigned make(s) no representation as to truth or accuracy of the information contained in the attached Short Form Registration Statement(s), if any, insofar as such information is not within his/her (their) personal knowledge.

(Date of signature)

(Print or type name under each signature or provide electronic signature¹³)

April 30/2020



SALAHADDIN BAYAZIDOV

¹³ This statement shall be signed by the individual agent, if the registrant is an individual, or by a majority of those partners, officers, directors or persons performing similar functions, if the registrant is an organization, except that the organization can, by power of attorney, authorize one or more individuals to execute this statement on its behalf.

April 30, 2020

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**Ref.: FARA Registration No. 6595 – Attachment to Supplemental Statement
Registrant's Activities Report on Behalf of Komala Party of Iranian Kurdistan**

- (1) Salah Bayaziddi engaged in the following activities on behalf of its foreign principal – Komala Party of Iranian Kurdistan from October 1, 2019 – March 31, 2020.
- (2) Meeting with Nick Heras from center for a New American Security, discussing human rights violations in Iran, Kurdish national rights and Iran-US relations – October 4, 2019.
- (3) Meeting with James Sauls, professional staff member, Senate Intelligence Committee, discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – October 28, 2019.
- (4) Meeting with Matt Lampert, Military Legislative Assistant, Senator Tammy Duckworth (D-IL), discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – October 28, 2019.
- (5) Meeting with Congressman Brian Mast (R-FL), discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – October 29, 2019.
- (6) Meeting with Megan Zavertnik, National Security Advisor, Senator David Perdue (R-GA), discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – October 29, 2019.
- (7) Meeting with Zach Lewis, Legislative Assistant, Senator Mark Warner (D-VA), discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – October 29, 2019.
- (8) Meeting with Garrett Exner, Military Legislative Assistant, Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX), discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – October 30, 2019.
- (9) Meeting with Jordan Wells, Military Legislative Assistant, Senator Gary Peters (D-MI), discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – October 30, 2019.
- (10) Meeting Alex Krupnick, Foreign Policy Advisor, Representative Donald Norcross (D-NJ), discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – October 30, 2019.
- (11) Meeting with Congressman John Garamendi (D-CA), discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – October 30, 2019.

- (12) Meeting with Peter, Billerbeck, Professional Democratic Staff Member, House Foreign Affairs Committee, discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – November 1, 2019.
- (13) Meeting with Ryan Lehman, deputy Chief of Staff, Representative Sean Patrick Maloney (D-NY), discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – November 1, 2019.
- (14) Meeting with Julie Devine, legislative Director, Representative Sam Graves (R-MO), discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities by Iranian government – November 1, 2019.
- (15) Meeting with Foreign Policy team, Senator Jeff Merkley (D-OR), discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – November 1, 2019.
- (16) Meeting with Erica Piordan, Foreign Policy Advisor, Representative Dina Titus (D-NV), discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – November 1, 2019.
- (17) Discussing Iran Protests and its political ramifications with Voice of America (Kurdish) – November 27, 2019.
- (18) Meeting with Washington Institute for Near East Policy, discussing new developments US-Iran relations, human rights violations in Iran and Kurdish oppression in Iran – December 9, 2019.
- (19) Meeting with Senate Armed Services Committee Professional Staff Members, discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – December 10, 2019.
- (20) Meeting with Senate Foreign Relations Committee Senior Staff, discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – December 10, 2019.
- (21) Meeting with Congressman Jim Cooper (D-TN), discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – December 11, 2019.
- (22) Meeting with Chara McMichael, Chief Staff, Representative Randy Weber (R-TX), discussing US-Iran relations and violating Kurdish and other ethnic and religious minorities' rights by Iranian government – December 11, 2019.
- (23) Meeting with Foundation for Defense of Democracies, discussing new developments US-Iran relations, human rights violations in Iran and Kurdish oppression in Iran – December 11, 2019.
- (24) Meeting with the Hudson Institute, discussing new developments US-Iran relations, human rights violations in Iran and Kurdish oppression in Iran – December 13, 2019.
- (25) Discussing killing Iranian Quds Force chief Quasem Sulaimani and PMU Deputy Abu Mahdi al-Mohandes in drone strike outside Baghdad Airport on Kurdistan 24 TV station – January 3, 2020.

- (26) Discussing killing Iranian Quds Force chief Quasem Sulaimani and PMU Deputy Abu Mahdi al-Mohandes in drone strike outside Baghdad Airport on NRT Kurdish TV – January 3, 2020.
- (27) Attending ITC conference discussing “Turmoil in the Middle East, Again! Assessment and Evaluation: Iran, Iraq and Lebanon” at Rayburn House Office Building – January 10, 2020.
- (28) Discussing the political implications of shooting down Ukrainian plane by Iran and recent developments US-Iran relations with RKT (Swedish Radio) - January 12, 2020.
- (29) Participating in roundtable of Colombia University (New York) discussing power-sharing system and federalism in Iran – January 27, 2020.
- (30) At the Washington Kurdish Institute (WKI) attended a round-table as Representatives of the Kurdistan parties of Rojhelat, discussed the current political developments of Kurdish affairs in Iran -Feb. 26, 2020.
- (31) Discussing the low turn-out of Iranian parliamentary elections with NRT Kurdish TV, February 28, 2020.
- (32) Attending UNPO March Presidency Conference in Washington DC - March 6-7 2020.
- (33) Discussing Kurdish opposition unity, Coronavirus in Iran, Iranian government human rights violations and Kurdish oppression with Voice of America (Kurdish) March 7, 2020.

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I the undersigned, Salah Bayaziddi, hereby declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the District of Columbia that the foregoing is true and correct of my personal knowledge.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE AT THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, WASHINGTON, D.C. (March 24, 2020)

To Be Published Through Mid-Atlantic Media Iran's Persecution of its Kurdish Minority

By: Abdullah Mohtadi *

Back in August 1980, The Washington Post quoted the renowned Nazi hunter Simon Wiesenthal as saying: "There is no denying that Hitler and Stalin are alive today ... they are waiting for us to forget, because this is what makes possible the resurrection of these two monsters." The persecution of Iran's Kurdish minority community by the radical and brutal Iranian regime is clear and unequivocal evidence of Simon Wiesenthal's extraordinary prescience.

The Komala Party's constituency comprises about 10 million Kurds living in North-West and Western Iran that accounts for about 11% of Iran's total population of approximately 80 million people. It includes Kurdish Jews, as well as other ethnic and religious minorities (Sunnis who are the majority, Shias, Yarsan (ancient Kurdish religion), and Christians), who are systematically denied access to basic liberties, cultural and religious freedoms, educational, and socio-economic opportunities, and they are gravely persecuted by a systemic state-sponsored policy of identification, persecution, exclusion, expropriation, imprisonment, torture, and even execution. According to the United Nations, almost 50% of all political prisoners in Iran are Kurdish, and 20% of all executions are of Iranian Kurds. The Iranian regime even considers Kurdish culture as "*un-Islamic*" and education in the Kurdish language is not allowed.

The Trump Administration has already clearly demonstrated its firm commitment to minority, ethnic, and religious rights by helping persecuted minority communities globally. This is particularly evident around Kurdistan in northern Iraq, where, under a humanitarian assistance program supervised directly by Vice President Pence, the Administration is assisting the Christian and Yazidi minority ethnic and religious communities that suffered genocide at the hands of ISIS.

The Komala Party of Iranian Kurdistan calls upon the Trump Administration to denounce the Iranian regime's state-sponsored policy of persecution against Iran's Kurdish minority community, and to draw the world's attention to it so as not to allow this murderous regime to become a modern-day resurrection of Hitler and Stalin. What is happening to the Kurdish minority in Iran today is similar to what happened to the Jewish communities in the early days of Hitler's Nazi regime and those of Stalin's state-sponsored pogroms. If unchallenged and left unchecked, the horrific mistakes of the past will be repeated.

The Komala Party also urges the Trump Administration to actively support Komala's programs within Iran for the promotion of human rights, fundamental liberties, ethnic and religious rights

and freedoms, gender equality, empowerment of women, youth health and education, resettlement

of internally displaced persons, representation and assistance of political prisoners, and democracy awareness generally.

The Komala Party's end-objective is a peaceful, democratic, secular, and federal Iran at peace with itself, its neighbors, and internationally, and which respects the basic democratic principles of fundamental liberties, human rights, secularism, market economy, and guarantee of minority, ethnic, and religious rights. It is resolutely committed to these principles which constitute the very essence of the American democracy and way of life.

* Mr. Abdullah Mohtadi is the Secretary-General of the Komala Party of Iranian Kurdistan. The Komala Party was founded in 1969 and is amongst the principal opposition political groups opposed to the regime of the Islamic Republic of Iran. Its leadership operates from exile in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. The Komala Party is a founder of the Congress of Nationalities for a Federal Iran (2005), an umbrella political organization of Iranian ethnic opposition groups. Mr. Mohtadi was a founding member of Unity for Democracy in Iran (UDI, 2010) and is a founding member of the Iran Transition Council (ITC, 2019).